

LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Statistical Data for March 2007

Region 10

May 2007

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES MARCH 2007 PRELIMINARY

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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AREA	LABOR FORCE	NUMBER EMPLOYED	NUMBER UNEMPL.	U.R. 3/07(p)	U.R. 2/07	U.R. 3/06
U.S.	152,236,000	145,323,000	6,913,000	4.5%	4.9%	4.8%
INDIANA	3,260,550	3,097,355	163,195	5.0%	5.3%	5.3%
Louisville KY-IN MSA	635,674	599,832	35,842	5.6%	5.9%	6.0%
EGR 10*	145,301	138,291	7,010	4.8%	5.4%	5.7%
Clark	55,226	52,713	2,513	4.6%	4.9%	5.1%
Crawford	5,317	4,913	404	7.6%	8.8%	8.9%
Floyd	38,671	37,033	1,638	4.2%	4.8%	5.1%
Harrison	20,136	19,162	974	4.8%	5.6%	5.9%
Scott	11,397	10,768	629	5.5%	6.1%	6.8%
Washington	14,554	13,702	852	5.9%	7.0%	7.1%
Corydon	1,508	1,389	119	7.9%	7.8%	8.3%
Jeffersonville	15,413	14,703	710	4.6%	4.9%	5.1%
New Albany	18,800	17,906	894	4.8%	5.3%	6.1%
Salem	3,076	2,835	241	7.8%	8.6%	9.4%
Scottsburg	2,940	2,755	185	6.3%	7.1%	8.3%

*EGR 10 includes Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington Counties.



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SURROUNDING STATES MARCH 2007 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

(Preliminary Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Illinois – 4.5% Indiana – 5.0% Kentucky – 5.8% Michigan – 7.2% Ohio – 5.5%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING BY COUNTY (HIGH TO LOW)

RANK – MAR 2007	COUNTY	MAR 2007 RATE (p)
1	Crawford	7.6%
22	Washington	5.9%
35	Scott	5.5%
59	Harrison	4.8%
70	Clark	4.6%
77	Floyd	4.2%
92	Hamilton	3.2%

REGIONAL, STATE, & METROPOLITAN UNEMPLOYMENT

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally unchanged or lower in March. Overall, 30 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate decreases, 12 states registered increases, and 8 states had no change reported the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 36 states and the District of Columbia, up in 9 states, and unchanged in 5 states.

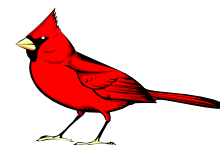
Montana recorded the lowest unemployment rate in March 2007 at 2.0 percent. Mississippi reported the highest unemployment rate at 6.9 percent.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported unemployment rates were lower in March than a year earlier in 252 of the 369 metropolitan areas, higher in 82 areas, and unchanged in 35 areas. Twenty-eight metropolitan areas registered jobless rates below 3.0 percent, while five areas recorded rates of at least 10.0 percent.

Billings, Mont., and Logan, Utah-Idaho, had the lowest unemployment rates at 2.0 percent each. El Centro, Calif., registered the highest jobless rates in March at 13.2 percent.

ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 10

(Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington Counties)



QUARTERLY EMPLOYMENT

NAICS INDUSTRY	3 RD QUARTER 2006	2 ND QUARTER 2006	3 RD QUARTER 2005	CHANGE FROM 2Q2006 TO 3Q2006	CHANGE FROM 3Q2005 TO 3Q2006
TOTAL COVERED EMPLOYMENT (includes Federal Employment)	102,818	103,525	101,954	-707	864
Natural Resources & Mining	780	759	833	21	-53
Construction	6,050	6,049	6,367	1	-317
Manufacturing	20,582	20,521	20,688	61	-106
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	23,235	23,272	23,034	-37	201
Information Services	908	908	895	0	13
Financial Activities	4,379	4,329	4,150	50	229
Professional & Business Services	7,360	7,339	7,022	21	338
Educational & Health Services	19,333	20,288	19,059	-955	274
Leisure & Hospitality	11,986	11,852	11,848	134	138
Other Services	2,539	2,616	2,595	-77	-56
Public Administration	5,645	5,572	5,455	73	190

Industry sectors may not add to total due to inclusion of unclassified data in total covered employment.

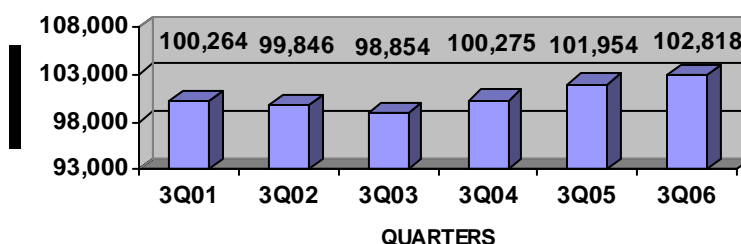
EGR 10 QUARTERLY INDUSTRY EARNINGS

NAICS INDUSTRY	3 RD QUARTER 2006	2 ND QUARTER 2006	3 RD QUARTER 2005	PERCENT CHANGE FROM 3Q2005 TO 3Q2006
TOTAL NONFARM (includes Federal Employment)	\$594	\$586	\$595	-.2%
Natural Resources & Mining	\$640	\$631	\$639	.2%
Construction	\$665	\$646	\$668	-.5%
Manufacturing	\$748	\$720	\$765	-2.3%
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	\$564	\$561	\$560	.8%
Information Services	\$559	\$531	\$548	2.1%
Financial Activities	\$724	\$746	\$716	1.1%
Professional & Business Services	\$511	\$535	\$521	-1.8%
Educational & Health Services	\$662	\$631	\$656	.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	\$289	\$307	\$282	2.5%
Other Services	\$403	\$384	\$397	1.4%
Public Administration	\$586	\$601	\$578	1.5%

Notes for both tables: The above tables include employees working for firms subject to the Indiana Employment and Training Services Act. Unemployment insurance tax records are a very comprehensive count of workers by industrial category. The Act, in general, includes employers with one or more employees. Railroads, small nonprofit institutions, and churches are excluded. Only part of the employment in private household and on farms is included. Federal government employees are covered by a federal unemployment insurance program but are included in these figures. Education and Health Services include both public and private employment.

Average Weekly Wages are computed from quarterly earnings and average employment. These figures are computed from payroll totals so they included all employees.

EGR 10 Total Employment 3rd Quarter 2001 - 3rd Quarter 2006



■ EGR 10 Total Employment

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS

Local Employment Dynamics (LED), a partnership between the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and the U.S. Census Bureau, provides innovative demographic employment information (Quarterly Workforce Indicators) for local decision makers, economic development agencies, education and training institutions, and transportation agencies. The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) measure the performance of the local economy. Turnover, separations, new hires, and average new hire earnings by county, metropolitan area, and Workforce Investment area are among the data items on the web site. The web address is: <http://lehd.dsd.census.gov/led/>.

Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) Economic Growth Region 10 1st Quarter 2006

Average New Hire Earnings by Age Groups

AGE	AVERAGE NEW HIRE EARNINGS*
14-18	\$590
19-21	\$1,041
22-24	\$1,371
25-34	\$1,780
35-44	\$2,219
45-54	\$2,319
55-64	\$2,227
65-99	\$1,023

* Total quarterly earnings of all full-quarter new hires divided by the number of full-quarter new hires, divided by 3.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Census, Local Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD), Local Employment Dynamics (LED), 1st Quarter 2006.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI-U)

Unadjusted percent change to March 2007 from:

	March 06	February 07
U.S. City Average		
All Items	2.8%	.9%
Food & Beverages	3.3%	.2%
Housing	3.4%	.4%
Apparel	.5%	3.0%
Transportation	1.7%	3.2%
Medical Care	4.0%	.2%
Recreation	.6%	.1%
Education & Communication	2.3%	.2%
Other Goods & Services	3.5%	.2%
Midwest Region (All Items)*	2.3%	1.0%



*Midwest Region = Midwest Urban Average. Expenditure categories are not available on a regional basis. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

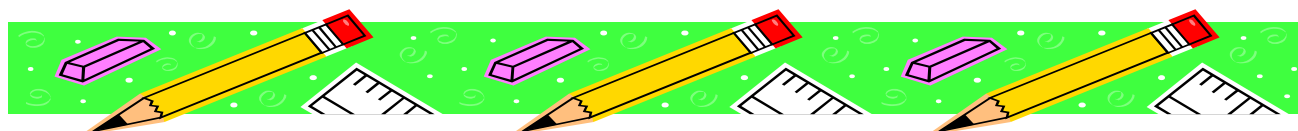
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

ANNUAL COMPARISON OF UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY OFFICE



<u>Local Office</u>	<u>March 2007</u>	<u>March 2006</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<u>INITIAL CLAIMS</u>				
New Albany	733	820		-10.6%
Indiana	28,505	28,580		-.3%
<u>TOTAL CLAIMS*</u>				
New Albany	9,504	10,881		-12.7%
Indiana	310,135	292,533		6.0%

*Total Claims include both initial and continued unemployment insurance claims.



REGION 10 JOB OPENINGS

The following hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development office in New Albany received during March 2007. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software. Occupations are listed in descending order based on number of openings.

SELECTED MARCH 2007 JOB OPENINGS & STARTING WAGES FOR REGION 10

OCCUPATIONAL TITLES	MINIMUM WAGE	AVERAGE WAGE	MAXIMUM WAGE
Assemblers	\$9.10	\$9.89	\$12.95
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	5.15	6.45	8.75
Cashiers	5.15	5.56	7.00
Production Laborers	7.00	8.75	10.00
Security Guards	5.15	7.69	9.50
Plastic Molding & Casting Machine Operators	9.10	11.40	16.00
Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	13.29	16.96	21.63
Truck Drivers, Heavy	10.00	12.40	13.70
Nurse Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	6.38	8.40	10.00
Welders-Fitters	10.00	13.88	19.50
Truck Drivers, Light-Including Delivery	5.25	8.48	9.38
Accounting Clerks	7.50	11.08	14.00
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	5.25	6.23	7.25
Administrative Assistants	7.50	11.16	13.29
Cooks: Short Order	\$5.15	\$5.75	\$8.00



REGION 10* APPLICANT POOL

March 25, 2007



The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Applicant Pool** provides a numerical ranking of the top jobs being sought by applicants.

REGION 10 JOB TITLES	NUMBER OF APPLICANTS
Production Laborers	1,282
Assemblers	1,185
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	668
General Office Clerks	638
Production Helpers	597
All Other Machine Operators	552
Receptionists/Information Clerks	528
Cashiers, General	514
Hand Packers & Packers	488
All Other Hand Workers	449
File Clerks	441
Production Inspectors, Testers, Graders	441
Administrative Assistants	436
Data Entry Keyers, Except Composing	361
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	351
Secretaries – Other	322
Customer Service Representatives –Utilities	322
Welders, Production	303
All Other Managers & Administrators	280
Truck Drivers, Light-Including Delivery	280

The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Applicant Pool on the Site Map/Index.



ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 10* WAGE DEMAND

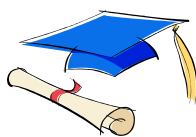
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AREA (3/25/07)	Average Annual Wage Demand	Median Annual Wage Demand	Number of Applicants
EGR 10	\$26,041	\$20,800	5,972
Clark	\$25,417	\$20,800	1,845
Crawford	\$27,839	\$20,800	456
Floyd	\$23,563	\$20,800	1,199
Harrison	\$29,925	\$20,800	964
Scott	\$21,732	\$20,800	793
Washington	\$30,660	\$20,800	715



2005 MEDIAN EARNINGS by
EDUCATION LEVEL for
POPULATION AGES 26 YEARS and
OVER
Louisville, KY-IN MSA



2006 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES
COLLEGE ENROLLMENT

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Population 25 years and over with earnings	\$31,215
Less than high school graduate	\$17,883
High School Graduate (includes equivalency)	\$27,164
Some college or associate's degree	\$31,174
Bachelor's degree	\$41,533
Graduate or professional degree	\$50,710

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey.



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In October 2006, 65.8 percent of high school graduates for the class of 2006 were enrolled in colleges or universities, according to data released by the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. Since 2001, the college enrollment rate for recent high school graduates has been trending upward.

Information on school enrollment and work activity is collected monthly in the Current Population Survey (CPS). Each October, a supplement to the basic CPS gathers more detailed information on full-time and part-time enrollment status, level of education, and enrollment status a year earlier. The CPS is a monthly nationwide survey of about 60,000 household that obtains information on employment, unemployment, and earnings of the civilian non-institutional population age 16 and over.

Of the 2.5 million youth who graduated from high school between October 2005 and October 2006, 1.6 million (65.8 percent) were attending college in October 2006. The college enrollment rate of young women, 66.0 percent, was about the same as that of young men, 65.5 percent. Asians were considerably more likely than whites, blacks, and Hispanics to be enrolled in college in the fall following their high school graduation. Among recent high school graduates enrolled in college, 92.3 percent were full-time students. More than 6 in 10 were enrolled in 4-year institutions.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "COLLEGE ENROLLMENT AND WORK ACTIVITY OF 2006 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES"



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